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The health of the town is moderately good. No case of yellow fever has originated in this locality since March, 1901. In June, 1902, one case of yellow fever was brought to this port from Vera Cruz, Mexico, but the case was cured and, owing to prompt action on the part of the authorities, the disease did not become prevalent here. There has been no case of typhoid fever since 1900, and no smallpox since 1899. In 1900 the mortality was 27.54 per thousand; in 1901, 24.23 per thousand; in 1902, 20.67 per thousand.

The health department employs 4 physicians for the poor of the town, 8 more for the same service in the outlying wards of the municipal districts, 5 inspectors of the town who inspect house by house, and still various other inspectors or supervisors, all at the direct orders of a chief. As soon as contagious disease occurs, if the patient has means of being well assisted in his own house, the dwelling is marked, notice is given to the family doctor, and the house is duly observed by the sanitary employees and municipal physician. Vaccination and revaccination are constantly attended to.

The Ayuntamiento has in contemplation the construction of an aqueduct from the Hanabanilla River, 40 miles distant, a sewerage system, slaughterhouse, and a market. It is expected these projects will soon be realized.

Report from Habana—Inspection of vessels—Mortuary statistics—Case of fever on American steamship Esperanza diagnosed as dysentery.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Echemendia, in temporary charge, reports, July 9 and 13, as follows:

Week ended July 4, 1903.

Number of health certificates issued.....	164
Vessels inspected and issued bills of health.....	24
Crew of outgoing vessels inspected.....	981
Passengers of outgoing vessels inspected.....	647
Pieces of baggage inspected.....	201
Pieces of freight inspected.....	2,007
Pieces of express inspected.....	18
Pieces of baggage disinfected.....	15

The case of fever in the person of a seaman who was removed from the American steamer *Esperanza* on July 1 was diagnosed as dysentery. The patient has recovered and was discharged a few days ago.

Mortuary report of Habana, Cuba, for week ended July 4, 1903.

Disease.	Number of deaths.
Meningitis.....	8
Enteritis.....	4
Tuberculosis.....	14
Cancer.....	2
Infectious fever.....	3
Enteric fever.....	4
Pneumonia.....	1
Pernicious malarial fever.....	2
Gastro-enteritis.....	1
Broncho-pneumonia.....	1
Bronchitis.....	1

Total deaths from all causes, 96.